

COAL OIL SAVES THE DAY.

Milwaukee Finds Plain Oil Kerosene Will Rid it of Its Flea Pest.

After exhaustive treatises on how to rid the city of fleas had been devoured by Secretary Harbach of the school board, that official has decided that the most effective weapon with which to fight the pests is common old every day kerosene of the sort sold by John D. Rockefeller. So Coal Oil Johnny is looked upon as the savior of the day and there will not be the slightest protest from the Cream City should he boost the price to 40 cents a gallon, so long as the supply is not cut off.

For one whole week Milwaukee has been itching, fidgeting and scratching Sand fleas of the most vigorous type have held the citizens of this good city in their claws, or teeth, whatever it is that they operate with.

The advance guard slipped by watchful guardians of the peace and invaded the schools. They had everything their own way, and swept the boards.

Then, seeking fresh victims to devour, the conquering army, which had arrived in full force, followed several school boys one day to the exclusive precincts of the Milwaukee County Club.

The foresight of the flea commander was amply repaid by results. The boys "caddy" for the golfers at the North Shore Club. The invaders pounced upon the players and soon drove them to cover. Then the army invaded the club kitchen and interfered with the culinary department to such an extent that complete capitulation and hasty evacuation followed.

Into the dining room and into the parlors swept the hungry horde. They put to flight every living object, and when they had devoured everything but the silverware, turned back upon the city.

But now they are up against it. They have smelt the kerosene and are beginning to retreat.

The school rooms are to be sprayed with kerosene, and with the schools freed there seems little chance of the fleas keeping up the battle long while cut off from the source of supply.—Elizabethtown News.

SENATOR BAILEY REPLIES TO HIS CRITICS.

United States Senator, J. W. Bailey, has made a statement in reply to a criticism of him regarding his alleged connection with the Standard Oil Company as a paid representative of its interests.

In part Mr. Bailey says:

The first step in this campaign of malevolence and detraction was to have a purported interview with the Hon. Roger Sullivan, of Illinois, assailing me sent broadcast over the country. Mr. Sullivan promptly denounced that interview as a falsehood made out of whole cloth. The next step was to circulate the story of the Tennessee properties for which I am attorney, belong to the Standard Oil Company; and they sought to im-

press this falsehood upon the fair-minded and justice loving Democrats of Texas.

NO SECURITIES IN HIS POCKET. The railroad had passed through one receivership, and was on the verge of another, when I was called into the case.

I accepted the employment and performed exactly the same kind of service that would have been expected of any other reputable lawyer. The statement, so industriously circulated by some, that I "put \$13,000,000 worth of securities in my pocket, to do with them as I pleased," is little less than ridiculous. I did not have \$13 worth of securities in my pockets. Every dollar's worth of bonds of that railroad company were pledged for its indebtedness, and it was my task to prevent those who held them from enforcing their liens and sacrificing the securities at a forced sale. That I succeeded in doing this is a matter of great satisfaction to me, as to my clients.

NO CONCEALMENTS.

There never was the least attempt to conceal my attorneyship for these properties, nor was there the least reason why it should be concealed. The objection to my employment as the attorney of those properties must proceed upon the theory that a man in public office has no right to pursue any private business, and such a doctrine, if applied to all men and all offices, would reduce the public life of this country to a point where only rich men or rascals could afford to accept an office. If I had found that my time and strength would not permit me to serve as a Senator and to practice law at the same time, I would have abandoned the law without the slightest hesitation, because I have always believed and acted upon the belief, that the public service holds the highest claims upon every man who undertakes it; or, if I had found that there was any conflict between my duty to my clients and my duty to my constituents, I would have declined all employment as a lawyer, because I would not suffer myself placed in any position where my duties might draw me in different directions. But neither has been true in my experience.—Louisville Times.

FACTS ABOUT TURKEYS.

Always feed on clean surfaces. Turkeys cannot stand dampness.

Filth is especially dangerous to all young stock.

Save the earliest and best of young stock for breeders.

The plumpest bodies are found in the short-legged fowls.

It is advisable to breed from choice old hens so long as they live.

As a rule, medium-weight turkeys sell best—especially around the Holidays.

Lice cause fully nine-tenths of the mortality among the young.

Yearling breeding stock, as a rule, do not produce strong stock.

While the young turkey is tender, the old ones are very hardy, and do not need any artificial warmth in winter.

Turkeys thrive better in an open shed with a high roost than

they do in a closed house.

Considerable of the decline in turkey raising may be laid to the fact that the stock has degenerated by continual inbreeding.

One gobble will suffice for twenty or more hens, as a single union of the male and female will fertilize the eggs for the entire season.

The sex of young stock can be distinguished by the gobble being heavier, more masculine in appearance, more carunculated on the head, and a development of the "tassels" on the breast.

It's liberty or death with turkeys.

Turkey raising requires plenty of patience. In no branch of poultry work is the old motto, "If you don't at first succeed, try, try again," so applicable as in turkey culture.

It is well to mix a little sand daily with the soft food of the young.

Charcoal is a valuable ingredient in the bill of fare.

If the poults can be kept in a healthy condition the first six weeks of their lives, there is not much danger after that.

If the breeding stock becomes too fat, there is likelihood of more or less infertility of the eggs.

Fermentation in the crop is an ailment peculiar to turkeys. It can be prevented by feeding charcoal.

The most thrifty stock is found on farms having high, dry land, on which is a light growth of grass—provided however, that inbreeding is not practiced.—Ex.

AUTUMN.

Soon the sun will begin to lose, for us, its intense heat. Soon the autumn will be here and the year will burn down to the fag end. The trees will begin to be birdless. The singing of the locusts will cease. Plant life will begin to show that the icy Winter days are at hand. But to our eyes there will be no repining. Marching down to the death of Winter, the trees and the plants will put on all their glorious gauds. They will array themselves in suits of brown and red and russet and golden leaves. They will have a splendor of appearance rivaled only by their glad frippery of the soft Spring days. In their way, they will meet adversity with smiles—the smiles nature paints on tender leaves.

Now, there is a lesson from these pretty autumn days, teaching us that there is no reason why we should not be like that. There is no reason why in the autumn of your days, when the winter of trouble is at hand, you should not meet what fate has in store with just as brave and smiling a face. For the Winter will pass and again the Spring will come. Or if it does not, there is sleep—sweet dreamless, endless sleep. So it is well to cease repining; to take a lesson from the autumn days. It is well for us to take our courage into our hands and with high heart, beating pulse and dauntless mein, repeat the triumphant cry of a poet who suffered all his life:

"I am master of my fate;
I am the captain of my soul."
—Ex.

SAM JONES ON CHARACTER.

I find now they are casting about all over Missouri to find a man to succeed Governor Folk, for no Governor in Missouri can succeed himself, and that man is hard to find, for Governor Folk has set a pattern that scrubs cannot follow him. They will name a dozen probable candidates, and then say, "well, I don't know whether either of them will fill the bill or not." What a pity such a confession calls forth!

I find that Senator Tillman is growing in popular favor. The people believe he is honest, and that he is brainy and brave. He is one of the very few men in the United States Senate that is not branded and labeled. I keep on saying it, gentlemen, after all it's character that counts. What avails my talk if the people don't believe me? What avails my efforts if the people believe I am dealing double? Happy is the man who has the confidence of the people and would die before he would abuse that confidence. The people are slow in giving their confidence and careful of the truth in men, but when once they believe in a fellow and believe what a fellow says, then that man has the finest grip possible on the great masses of his countrymen.

This country trusts President Roosevelt, this country now trusts Bryan, and they are the leaders of their respective parties, not by the choice of the politicians, but by the will of the people. That's what I call an uncrowned king, whose scepter is "truth," and whose insignia is "right." Confidence is not a commodity manufactured to order; it is a result of test and trial, which furnishes proofs that call forth the faith of this man in that man.

The man who can't be influenced to do wrong himself, and won't be silenced when he is condemning wrong in others.

What a mighty force the ministers of God could be if they would and could speak with authority on all questions that involve the best interest of humanity. God help the preachers to get together on the issues that involve the home and church, and God help them to be brave as a lion in their championship of the right and the denunciation of the wrong. E-town News.

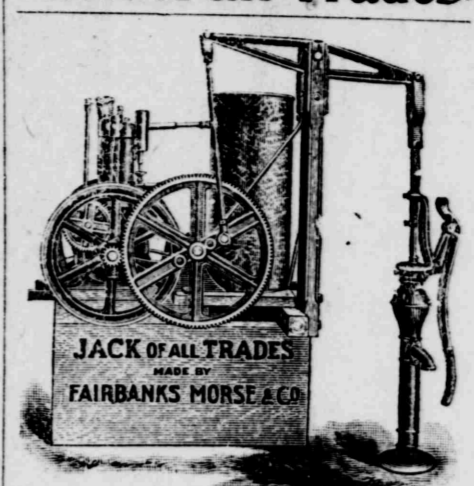
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